

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

October 9, 2014

**5:30 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

**Present:** Mayor James Calnon, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Dale Dowdle (W3), Paul O'Connell (W4), Becky Kasper (W5), Joshua Kretser (W6)

**Absent:**

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**1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on September 25, 2014 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

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**2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:**

**RESOLVED:** That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the weeks ending October 1, 2014 in the amount of \$ 270,033.35 and October 8, 2014 in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

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**3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the weeks of September 25 – October 1, 2014
- Report from the Building Inspector's office October 7, 2014

**RESOLVED:** That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

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**4. CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None**

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**5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

**RESOLVED:** That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the weeks ending October 3, 2014 in the amount of \$ 798,204.52 and October 10, 2014 in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

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**6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL:**

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**7. OTHER ITEMS:**

**A. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the Mayor be and is authorized to sign Cable Franchise Agreement between the City of Plattsburgh and Falcon First Cable Inc.(Charter Communications).

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**B. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to transfer \$70,120 from the 2014 Contingency and \$58,413.82 from the 2014 NYS Employees Retirement budget items to cover various cost items unbudgeted in the General Fund under Judgments & Claims, Parks & Beautification, South End Park, Street Maintenance and Reserve for Property Tax Revenue.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**C. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Amended and restated bond resolution of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, adopted October 9, 2014, authorizing Street Resurfacing and Improvements (project H5110.44), stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$1,500,000, appropriating said amount therefor, authorizing the issuance of up to \$746,000 serial bonds of said city to finance a portion of said appropriation, and authorizing the issuance of up to \$746,000 bond anticipation notes of the city for the same purpose.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**D. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Amended and restated bond resolution of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, adopted October 9, 2014, authorizing 2014 Saranac River Trail Design (project H5110.45), stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$230,000, appropriating said amount therefor, authorizing the issuance of up to \$48,000 serial bonds of said city to finance a portion of said appropriation, and authorizing the issuance of up to \$48,000 bond anticipation notes of the city for the same purpose.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**E. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Amended and restated bond resolution of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, adopted October 9, 2014, authorizing fire station 2 roof replacement and additional fire station 1 roof replacement work, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$140,000, appropriating said amount therefor, authorizing the issuance of up to \$140,000 serial bonds of said city to finance said appropriation, and authorizing the issuance of up to \$140,000 bond anticipation notes of the city for the same purpose.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**F. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to revise capital project 2014 Street Resurfacing (H5110.44) by increasing the total cost to \$1,500,000, as authorized by a previously adopted bond resolution for \$1,500,000 of even date.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**G. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to revise capital project 2014 Saranac River Trail Design (H5110.45) by increasing the total cost to \$230,000, as authorized by a previously adopted bond resolution for \$230,000 of even date.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**H. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to revise capital project 2014 Building Improvements (H3410.37) by increasing the total cost to \$140,000, as authorized by a previously adopted bond resolution for \$140,000 of even date.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**I. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves a leave of absence for Kristofer Gushlaw from his position as Wastewater Operator in the Water Pollution Control Plant effective October 6, 2014 to take provisional appointment of Assistant Chief Plant Operator until his probationary requirements are completed. Leave of absence not to exceed one year from date October 6, 2014.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**J. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves that the Mayor is authorized to sign Change Order #1 to Contract #2014-14 "Champlain Valley Transportation Museum, PIN 7804.83; D03 0445 in the amount of \$75,615.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**8. TRAVEL REQUEST:**

**A. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Police Officer to attend the "State Preparedness Training Center Instructor Development Workshop" in Oriskany, NY from October 21 – 23, 2014 at an estimated cost of \$229 and will be expensed out of the Asset Forfeiture fund.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**B. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Police Officer to attend a Federal Trial (People vs. Barro) in Brooklyn, NY from October 14-16, 2014 at an estimated cost of \$232 and will be expensed out of the Asset Forfeiture fund and is expected to be reimbursed by the Department of Justice.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**C. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves two Police Officers to attend the "MRAP Safety Training" in Lake George, NY from October 17, 2014 at an estimated cost of \$782 and will be expensed out of the Asset Forfeiture fund.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**D. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Recreation employee to attend the New York State Turfgrass Association Expo in Rochester New York from November 11-14, 2014 at a cost not to exceed \$900.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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## **9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:**

1. Request from Environmental Manager Jon Ruff for Janelle Henry to attend the "Activated Sludge Wastewater Treatment Plant Process" in Morrisville, NY from November 16 – 20, 2014 at an estimated cost of \$1,375.

2. Request from Environmental Manager Jon Ruff to attend a “Train the Trainer course in Clinton, NY from December 10 -11, 2014 at an estimated cost of \$900.

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**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

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**11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

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Motion to Adjourn by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_  
Roll call Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** \_\_\_\_\_